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SUBJ: PAIGC REPORTEDLY TO HOLD ELECTION FOR CABRAL SUCCESSOR

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF ON JULY 3, ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR GEORGESCU EXHIBITED CONSIDERABLE PRIDE IN ASSISTANCE HE SAID HIS COUNTRY IS GIVING TO PAIGC, WITHOUT EVER DESCRIBING WHAT THAT ASSISTANCE IS. GEORGESCU ALSO SAID ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL OF PAIGC ARISTIDES PEREIRA RETURNED TO CONAKRY SOME WEEKS AGO BUT HAS NOT FULLY RECOVERED FROM WOUNDS HE RECEIVED DURING HIS ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION IN JANUARY.

2. IN DISCUSSING PRESENT AND FUTURE OF PAIGC GEORGESCU ACKNOWLEDGED RECENT SUCCESS IN FIELD AND HIGH MORALE OF PAIGC TROOPS DUE PARTLY TO EFFECTIVE USE OF SOVIET GROUND TO AIR MISSILES. ANOTHER HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT FACTOR WAS THAT THE PAIGC CONTINUED TO FOLLOW THE STRATEGY LAID DOWN BY CABRAL (WHICH GEORGESCU DID NOT DESCRIBE). WHEN ASKED IF THE LEADERSHIP PROBLEMS ARISING FROM CABRAL'S ASSASSINATION HAD BEEN SOLVED, THE ROMANIAN SAID THAT ELECTIONS FOR A SUCCESSOR TO CABRAL WOULD BE HELD "IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS". HE WAS NON-COMMITTAL IN ANSWERING ANOTHER QUESTION AS TO WHETHER PEREIRA WOULD BE ELECTED TO THE LEADERSHIP HE NOW HOLDS ON A TEMPORARY BASIS.

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